



## **Blight Prevention Board Meeting**

September 26, 2023 at 11:00am

Via Zoom, in accordance with Executive Order 7B

Meeting Minutes Approved

Please note these minutes are not verbatim.

**Attendees:** First Selectman Rudy Marconi, Building Official Jason Celestino, Planning and Zoning Director Alice Dew, Health Director Ed Briggs, Fire Marshal Guy Mignilas, and Recording Secretary DeAja Cogswell

### **1. 18 Rolling Ridge Road**

The board met with the owner of the property and concluded that the property does not meet criteria specified in the Blight Ordinance. The board agreed to drop the complaint filed against the property and the property owner in question. Ed Briggs initiated the motion, Jason Celestino second the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

### **2. 94 Soundview Road**

The home has been demolished as of September 26, 2023. A real estate representative has informed the board that the property owner will overlook and clean up the property once a week as a result of littering. The board agreed that the property does not meet criteria specified in the Blight Ordinance. Jason Celestino initiated a motion to deny and drop this complaint, Ed Briggs second the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

### **3. 20 Flat Rock Drive**

As of September 26, 2023, there has been no evidence of collapsed ceilings or floors in the home. The home is in decent condition and is being properly maintained. Jason Celestino and Ed Briggs have inspected the property and found no evidence of rodents or deterioration. The property does not meet criteria specified in the Blight Ordinance and will be removed from the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

### **4. 29 Lakeview Drive**

Mr. Pereira did not include the Blight lien in his bankruptcy claim and as a result, the board will have to wait until the confirmation hearing on October 5, 2023 to take action. Mr. Pereira has the option to file an amendment or argue against the Blight lien. If Mr. Pereira chooses to argue, the board will hire a FL attorney in order to seek relief of the stay and an approval to proceed with foreclosure.

### **5. 145 High Ridge Rd**

There have been no significant changes or updates on the property since the last meeting. The board will have to check if the property has been sold. There is

indecision surrounding whether the property meets Blight criteria at this time. The property will remain on the agenda for a final review until the next Blight meeting.

**6. 120 Ivy Hill Rd**

It appears as though the oil tank has been removed on the property; however, no paperwork has been filed or finalized by the contractor(s). There has been no communication between the board and the contractor(s). As a result, the board will not assume responsibility for the property and has decided to drop this case.

**7. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

*Ed Briggs initiated the motion to approve meeting minutes from **July 25, 2023**. Alice Dew second the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*

*Alice Dew initiated the motion to approve Meeting minutes from **September 5, 2023**. Ed Briggs second the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*

*Ed Briggs moved to adjourn the September 26, 2023 Blight Prevention Board meeting. Alice Dew second the motion. Motion carried 5-0.*